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FOR: IMAGE CODING/DECODING METHOD, IMAGE CODING APPARATUS AND IMAGE DECODING

APPARATUS FOR OBTAINING DECODED IMAGES HAVING SMALL DISTORTION IN DCT BASED

STANDARD CODING/DECODING

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